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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS NEWTON TO CANCER COORDINATION AND CONTROL COMMITTEE

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Dr. Sandy Newton** of Hillsborough to the North Carolina Advisory Committee on Cancer Coordination and Control.

Newton is lead physician and regional medical director for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina. She received a Bachelor's degree in pharmacy from the University of Cincinnati and is a graduate of Wayne State School of Medicine in Detroit, Mich.

The committee recommends to the secretary of the N. C. Department of Health and Human Services a plan for the statewide implementation of an interagency comprehensive coordinated cancer control program and identifies and examines the limitations and problems associated with existing laws, regulations, programs and services related to cancer control. The committee also examines financing and access to cancer control services for North Carolina citizens. The committee has 34 members, each serving a four-year term. The governor appoints 24 members. The Senate President Pro Tempore and Speaker of the House each appoint five members.

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